HE TRIED TO EXFORT MONEY FROM BROKER LEVERICH. Made the Sudden Death of Mrs. Leverich at

the Windsor Motel the Basis of His Attempt-Detectives Selso Him After the Broker Had Given Him Marked Bills, Joseph Minthal, alias Joseph Miller, a Bowery lodger, who is supposed to be the tool cleverer rascals, was arraigned in the Centre Street Police Court yesterday before Magistrate Kudlich on a charge of blackmalling H. Duncan Laverich, a member of the Stock Exchange and one of the firm of C. D. Leverich & Co. of 48 Wall street. Mr. Leverich's wife, Mrs. Mary De Forrest Leverich, died suddenly on March 31 at the Windsor Hotel. She had been in delicate health for some time before her death, and, upon advice of a physician, had taken a trip abroad, When his wife went away Mr. Leverich gave up his house and when she returned he made his home at the Windsor Hotel.

When Mrs. Leverich died the Coroner was notified, as in all sudden death cases, and an inquest was held, which resulted in the decision hat she had died of Bright's disease. The cause of death was reported as such by a physician of high standing, and this was verified by the report of the Coroner's physician.

On April 14 Mr. Leverich received the following note, scrawled in a way that suggested an attempt to disguise the chirography of the writer: N. Y. C., April 14, 1897.

By chance I found out that you put your wife out of the way and I am very sorry to trouble you about that but I have to do it because I am very poor and I want a little money, but not much, about 600 Dol, You shall send that money as quick as possible and if you do not send it sooner I'll report this case to a police and if you send know boar you say longer and know boar you any longer and know boar good from your friend D. Carnosick, Siy Bowery, Saloon, City.

This is my address M. D. Carroston, No. 333 Bowery, Saloon, City.

Mr. Leverich supposed that the letter was from some crank who had read about his wife's death in the newspapers, and dismissed the matter from his mind. Five days later he got another letter reading like the first, and having a postseript asking if Mr. Leverich had received the other one. This letter was signed "Joe Miller' 44 Division street, saloon." Mr. Leverich ignored this letter also, and he received a third note from "Joe Miller" a week later. The last declared that the writer would not wait any longer, and unless the money was sent on the following day he threatened to inform the police and "tell what he knew."

Rather than incur notoriety by reporting the case to Mulberry street, Mr. Leverich kept quiet until last Thursday, when he got another letter from "Joe Miller" demanding money.

A complaint was then made to Capt. O'Brien hy Mr. Leverich, and Detective Sergeants Vallely and O'Connell were detailed to catch the blackmailer. Acting under their instructions, Mr. Leverich diotated the following note, which was sent addressed to Joe Miller at 44 Division street: Mr. Leverich supposed that the letter was om some crank who had read about his wife's

street:

New York, May 10, 1807.

Mr. Jor Miller: On account of my absence from the city, pressure of business. I was unable to write you before this to acknowledge the receipt of your letters. I wish to avoid any publicity, and would like to have you make an appointment to meet me somewhere to talk this matter over. Don't come to my office, as I am so well known here, and I don't want any one to know about it. Write me where I can see you. Yours,

S. D. Lavanuch.

When Mr. Leverich reached his office on Tuesay he found Minthal waiting there for him. Inthal requested a private interview with the Minthal requested a private interview with the broker, and mentioned in an undertone that he was from "Joe Miller." Mr. Leverich feared that the man would become suspicious if he hade any move to apprehend him, so he affected an air of great concern. "Don't talk about that matter here, for heaven's sake," he whispered to Minthal. "Meet hea at 8:30 o'clock to-night at the entrance to Central Park at Seventh avenue and Fifty-ninth street."

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Minthal nodded acquiescence, and walked out of the office without saying a word. Mr. Leverich immediately telephoned Police Headquarters, and Vallely and O'Connell were apprised of what had happened. Minthal must have falled to connect with the confederates he is supposed to have after his visit to Mr. Leverich's office, for, as was afterward learned by the detectives, two men were in Centre Street Court on Tuesday afternoon inquiring anxiously if a man named Joseph Minthal had been arraigned in court that day. They seemed much relieved when they learned that nobody of that name had been up in court.

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Mr. Leverich was prompt in keeping his appointment with Minthal, and the detectives were equally prompt in hiding behind the Park wall near the trysting place. Exactly at the appointed hour Minthal came along the street. He gianced around as he walked, as if he suspected that somebody was shadowing him. Finally he came up to where Mr. Leverich was standing and held a conversation with him, which was overheard by the detectives. Minthal said he had heard that Mr. Leverich had paid a man named Louis Nicholas \$400 to keep quiet on the subject. Mr. Leverich told Minthal that he had not brought all the money with him, but would pay something on account. Minthal was cager to get anything, and Mr. Leverich handed him three marked \$10 bills, after which he pulled out his handkerchief and mopped his brow. This was the signal for bills, after which he pulled out his handkerchief and mopped his brow. This was the signal for the detectives, and they jumped over the wall and grabbed Minthal, who was so astonished at his sudden capture that he nearly fainted. The marked bills were found in his pocket, as was also the letter which Mr. Leverich sent to Miller. When taken to Police Headquarters Minthal made several contradictory statements. He said at first that he was acting for a man named Sam Aronson, who worked at 332 Bowery, and then he said he had written the letter at the request of another man. He said he was acting for Aronson and did not think he was doing anything wrong. He pleaded not guilty and was held in \$2,000 bail for the Grand Jury by Magistrate Kudlich. In default of ball he was locked up in the Tombs. The detectives could not find Aronson nor the other man described by Minthal. They think, however, that he acted for others who probably invented the plot. Why they pitched upon Mg. Leverich as a victim they cannot even guess. and mopped his brow. This was the signal for

SAYS VREELAND IS BLUFFING.

President Kline Accuses the Metropolitan

President Elias of the Third Avenue Railroad Company replied yesterday to a statement made on Thursday by President Vreeland of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company. Mr. Vreeland had said that his company was anxious and eager to construct, its new eleroad in Eighth avenue, and that the Third Avenue Railroad Company was obstructing the pro-posed work. He added that the State Board of Railroad Commissioners had authorized the company to proceed with the change in motive power, and that the Commissioner of Public Works had also given his consent. In answer to this President Elias said:

"It is an open secret that the Metropolitan Company and the Eighth Avenue Railroad Company do not propose to accept the terms of the permit as issued by the Department of Public Works, upon the ground that the many safeguards which have been placed in the permit by the Commissioner of Public Works are not satisfactory to it (the Metropolitan Company),

satisfactory to it (the Metropolitan Company), and that this company does not propose to accept the permit unless the same is modified upon terms satisfactory to it.

"It is therefore entirely disingenuous and insincere on the part of the Metropolitan Street Rallway Company to claim that obstacles interposed by citizens, insisting that the city's rights shall be cared for, or by other companies, insisting that this company shall comply with the law, have anything to do with the Metropolitan Company's failure to begin work, for it is clear to any one familiar with current events that with or without these legal delays the Metropolitan Company would not in any event have commenced the construction on Eighth avenue.

"Pushing forward the Third Avenue Company or any other company as an obstruction is a obviously only for the purpose of pacifying property owners along Eighth avenue and gratifying a private grudge against a rival corporation by resistance. a private grudge against a rival corporation raising a bue and cry against this company

by raising a hue and cry against this consider a being an obstructionist.

"Now, as to the failure of the Metropolitan Company to obtain the consent of the Board of Electrical Control prior to the commencement of its underground construction. a step which all other companies in this city now operating all other companies in this city now operating electrical railroads have taken. The public authorities, speaking through the Corporation Counsel, only resterday announced in court the authorities, speaking through the Corporation Counsel, only pesterday announced in court the final attitude of the city, which is, that the consent of the Board of Electrical Control must be obtained before any work of underground electrical motive power can be proceeded with.

It is therefore clear that, irrespective of any obstacles interposed by any litigants in good faith, as already referred to, the Metropolian Company would no, at the present time be able to proceed with its work of underground construction owing to the attitude taken by the city, which is, that such construction at the present time would be unlawful on the part of the Metropolitan Company."

Four Bubics at One Birth. TAZWELL, Tenn., May 12.-Mrs. Mary Lee Turner of Scott county, Va., gave birth to two toys and two girls yesterday, and all are well developed. The father is a miner and the socher barely 21 years of age.

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF DESIGN. The Annual Meeting and the Election of O ficers and Judges.

The annual meeting of the National Academy of Design was held yesterday and the scadem cians dined together in the council room. The election of officers for the coming year resulted as follows: President, Thomas W. Wood; Vice-President, James M. Hart; Corresponding Secretary, J. Carroll Beckwith; Recording Secretary George H. Smillie; Treasurer, James D. Smillie; members of the council, J. G. Brown, Robert Blum, F. S. Church, Frederick Dielman, H. Bolton Jones, and H. W. Watrous. These are all reton Jones, and H. W. Watrous. These are all reelections with the exception of Mr. Watrous,
who takes the place vacated by Walter Shirlaw.
The jury of selection, the members of which
will accept or reject works offered for the exhibitions next autumn and next spring, consists
of C. Y. Turner, Frederic P. Vinjon, Horatio
Walker, Edgar M. Ward, J. Q. A. Ward, H. W.
Watrous, and John F. Weir from the academiclans, and J. Appleton Brown and George de
Forcet Brush from the associates. The Hanging Committee is composed of C. D. Weldon and
Louis Moeller, academicians, and Edward
Gay, associate, There was a great deal
of interest in the election of new members of the academy. The balleting resulted in
the choice of William H. Lippincott, Walter L.
Palmer, and William H. Howe as academicians.
The new associates are William T. Smelley,
well known as an illustrator and painter of figture subjects; Bruce Crane and Robert W. Van
Boskerck, landscape painters; Frank Russell
Green, whose work is generally in the line of
outdoor genre, and Howard Russell Butler, who
paints portraits and marines, and is President
of the American Fine Arts Society.

There are to be seven judges in the competion for designs for the new academy building
on Cathedral Heights. Four are to be academicians named by the council and three are to
be architects chosen by the competitors. The
academicians selected are James M. Hart, Edwin H. Blashfield, Frederick Dielman, and F.
Carroll Beckwith. elections with the exception of Mr. Watrous

CONCERTS AT THE ASTORIA.

Series of Them to Be Given at the New Hotel Under Seldi's Direction.

A series of concerts on a very unusual plan new Hotel Astoria, which is now approaching nue. They are to be called "soirces," and Anton will be given by subscription, and the large ballroom, which accommodates nearly 3,000, will be so arranged that not more than 600 persons can be seated. Large armchairs will be placed on the floors. There will be no assigned scats, and no ushers. The pages of the hotel will look after the guests. The reception rooms and conservatory adjoining the ballroom will also be used. The boxes in the two tiers will contain six arm-

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Anton Seidl will have a new orchestra of seventy-five men and the best soloists will appear. The concerts will last for only one hour and a half or possibly fifteen minutes longer. They will commence at 9 and close before 11. The boxes for the season will be soid at \$350, and the season tickets are to be \$60. Twelve concerts will be given, commencing on the date in November on which the hotel is opened. Subsequent concerts will be given on alternate Tuesdays during the winter. The aim is to make the entertainments like concerts in a private residence, and they are modelled in general plan after the concerts given under royal patronage in Herlin, Vienna and Munich. No single tickets will be sold. Full dress will, of course, prevail. A number of the boxes have been sold already.

FEDERAL GRAND JURY.

Capt. E. W. Reed's Trial Set.

The May Grand Jury was impanelled in the Criminal Branch of the United States Circuit Court yesterday. Judge Benedict appointed James McCreery, the dry goods merchant of 801 Broadway, foreman. The other members are Peter C. Kellogg, auctioneer, 107 John street; Anthony Yoeman, appraiser, 137 Broadway; Alfred Gutwillig, real estate, 45 Cedar street; George T. McKinney, importer, 81 North Moore street; Augustus H. Tennis, manager, 34 Union street; Damon H. McClain, hardware, 169 Spring street: William G. Foster, insurance, 204
East Nincteenth street; Frank W. Harris,
merchant, 282 Lenox avenue; Louis J.
Anger, baker, 389 Grand street; George M.
Huss, architect, 1285 Broadway; Abner H. Angell, merchant, 101 Beckman street; Robert M.
Armstrong, grocer, 100 East 118th street;
Wiffliam L. Crow, builder, 287 Fourth avenue;
John J. Cunningham, meat, 104 Barclay street;
Homer F. Locke, dry goods, 79 Leonard street;
Alexander Edson, 227 East 129th street; Adolph
A. Frankfield, jewelry, 52 West Fourteenth
street; Reuben R. Andrews, Jr., grain, 210 West
Sixteenth street, and Stephen H. Tyng, Jr., real
estate, 25 Pine street.
The first case called for trial by Assistant
United States District Attorney Hinman was
that of Capt. Edward W. Reed, accused of having failed to provide proper food for the scurvystricken crew of the ship T. F. Oakes. It was
set down for next Monday at 11 o'clock, to
which time court was adjourned. William G. Foster, insurance, 204

MAGISTRATE JOB WANTS A CLERK,

Job Hedges, the most recently appointed of the a young man to fill a police court clerkship. He o wants an experienced interpreter who can talk any language that is ever heard in a police court, particularly the lingo of the crooks, with which he is entirely unfamiliar. The fact that the new Magistrate is receiving applications and considering applicants leaked out, and yesterday Mr. Hedges's present duties as secretary to the Mayor were seriously interfered with. Some of the applicants came in person, but more of them sont friends. Sometimes there were as many as a dezen friends for one applicant, and the Mayor's office and the anteroom looked at times as if there was a hearing going on on some proposed civic legislation. But the day's labor was fruitiess. None of the applicants fitted the new Magistrate's idea of what a police court clerk should be, and no appointment has been made.

The place is a desirable one. It pays \$2,500 a year. Mr. Hedges thinks it should be filled by a man between 25 and 30 years of age. He must be sober and industrious and must be a good penman. He thinks also that he ought to have some knowledge of and some acquaintance with and considering applicants leaked out, and yes-

some knowledge of and some acquaintance with the criminal classes. In all probability there will be another reception in the City Hall to-day and the right man may be found.

SETTLE OR GO TO JAIL.

Jersey City Crusade Against Belinquent Tax-

payers Commences To-Day. City Collector Simeon H. Smith of Jersey City will start out this morning to make a levy on the goods and chattels of delinquent taxpayers. The personal tax law is about to be enforced for the first time in Jersey City. The names of nearly two thousand delinquents were advertised a few weeks ago and last week notices were tised a few weeks ago and last week notices were served on about forty of them to make a settlement at once or the law would be enforced. A few complied with the notice and about \$1.500 was paid in. The Collector will go to-day to the residence or place of business of the debtors and selze a sufficient amount of property to pay the tax due and costs. If sufficient property cannot be found the body of the delinquent will be selzed and lodged in jail until a settlement is made. Collector Smith will be reinforced by policemen in uniform.

The taxes which are now to be collected are for 1895, and there is about \$82,000 due.

IS THEOSOPHY A RELIGION? Boston Courts Called Upon to Becide the Mat-

ter in a Taxation Case. BOSTON, May 12.- The courts have been called upon to decide whether the Theosophists are a religious organization or not. The question is directly raised in a case which came before Judge Sheldon in the Superior Court this fore noon, and in which the New England Theosophial Society is the plaintiff and the assessors of he city of Boston the defendants. the city of Boston the defendants.

The plaintiff's property was assessed for tax, and it applied to the assessors for an abatement on the ground that it is a religious organization. The assessors after a hearing decided to the contrary and refused to abate the tax. The case will go to the full bench.

Judge Hand Disposes of \$70,000 Street Rail-

ITHACA, May 12 .- Judge Alfred Hand, the Scranton millionaire, was in Ithaca to-day and disposed of all his holdings in this city. He was half owner of the Ithaca Electric Street Railway and Power Company and half owner of a valuawick Park. The Judge held bonds of the street railway company to the amount of \$70,000. These were purchased by Cornell University. The other holdings of the Judge were secured by E. G. Wyckoff of New York and Ithacs. Judge Hand has decided to dispose of most of his various enterprises in this country and end his days in Europe. ble tract of land along the lake known as Ren-

CHANGYUEN HOON IN TOWN

TOPS OVER EN ROUTE TO ATTEND VICTORIA'S DIAMOND JUBILEE. ngs a Gorgeous Sulte and Puts Up at the

Walderf Until Next Wednesday So as to See

the Town-Receives the Merchants of China town and Will Be Entertained by Them. Behind the vellow flag of China with its exremely rampant dragon, which floats out from the first floor of the Waldorf on the Fifth avenue side, is ensconced Chang Yuen Hoon, special envoy to England to represent China on the oc-casion of the Queen's jubilee. With him are an ssortment of Oriental gentlemen, the roster of whose names sounds like a Swiss bell ringers' chorus. There are Llang Shung and Chung Kiang Chi, Ching Diping, Kiang Est Fong, Yen Chung Fee, Li Ching Yen, and various other persons of resonant nomenclature. They arrived yesterday morning from the West on the New York Central train which reached here at

10:35. Several Chinese dignitaries and some fifty or sixty Chinese merchants were at the station to meet the party. At the head of the welcoming group was Wee Cing Fang, the Chinese Minister. and with him were Ching Pas Fi, Consul at this city; Louis Wing, Vice-Consul, and Chow Tso Chi, an attaché of the Chinese Legation at Washington. They got there half an hour before the train arrived, and during the walt formed the objective point of interest for a considerable crowd of spectators. When the train came the officials moved forward, followed by the merchants. The envoy's car was the last on the train. Chang Yuen Hoon stepped down to the platform, followed by his staff. He is a nedium-sized, elderly man, with a placid ly clever face and a dignified bearing. He advanced to within a few steps of the welcoming party, who thereupon saluted in Chinese fashion, which is interesting if not impressive from an Occidental point of view. Each man raised his hands with the fingers intertwined, ast his eyes upward, then bent forward fron the waist until the upper and lower parts of the ody were almost at right angles. The general effect of the manmuvre was as if the crowd, be ing suddenly afflicted with pains, had appealed to heaven with prayerful hands for relief, and in to heaven with prayerful hands for relief, and in the midst of the supplication had suddenly succumbed and doubled up in distress like so many jackknives. The envoy's party did likewise.

Then came an American greeting, for a contrast. Llang Shung, the envoy's secretary, caught sight of Vice-Consul Louis Wing and advanced upon him with outstretched hand.

"How are you, old man!" he said heartily.
"Glad to see you again, old fellow," responded Wing, grasping the hand and shaking it energetically. "You don't seem to have changed much."

getically. "You don't seem to have changed much."

All of which was the effect of American college training, as the two young Chinamen had known each other at Harvard. In the midst of the group of solemn-faced and gorgeously arrayed Orientals, however, the greeting seemed strangely incongruous. From the station the party drove to the Waldorf, where the visitors had luncheon in the rooms which were the special apartments occupied by Li Hung Chang when here. One of the party, by the way, Li Ching Yen, is a nephew of Li Hung Chang. The luncheon was not Chinese, but American, and the envoy's physician, Dr. W. K. Psao, did not even examine the dishes to see if they were poisoned. In China a gentleman of Chang Yuen Hoon's political prominence who ate food prepared by strangers, without taking great precautions, would promptly add a tally to his family list of illustrious dead. Here the entire party will eat American food

add a tally to his family list of illustrious dead, there the entire party will eat American food during their stay, although they have cooks among the nineteen servants with them. Having finished the meal, the envoy said that he was ready to receive the Chinese merchants who were waiting to be formally presented to him. They came up in a body and formed in a double line, down which Chang Yuen Hoom marched, preceded by Vice-Consul Wing, who arted as muster of ceremonies. As they came marched, preceded by Vice-Consul Wing, who acted as master of ceremonies. As they came to each man he handed Wing his card, usually a business card, and Wing, after reading the name aloud, nassed the card on to the envoy, whereupon the merchant saluted. The reception occupied about an hour. In the evening most of the party rested in their rooms, while a few lounged about the lobby of the hotel, viewing and being viewed curiously. They will be here until May 19, and will see the town during that time. Preparations are afoot for a banquet at the Waldorf to the envoy, and clubdom will also entertain him. On the way back from the Queen's jubile the envoy expects to stop in this country for several weeks, during which he will visit the Catskills, Newport, and Niagara Falls. He has been here before.

But the Wrials the Selection Involves Recall | absenting himself without leave be made the caused him at times a total loss of memory, and

he forgot to go to the engine house. On his promise to avoid eigarettes in the future he was then let off with a light line.

Robert Forrest, a fireman attached to Engine 9, was dismissed on charges of intoxication and absence without leave.

President Sheffield announced that he had been informed by a detective that Fireman John Cahill of Engine 54 was an ex-convict before his appointment in the department on Feb. 9, 1896. The President added that if this was true the appointment was void and the man should be dropped.

ropped. Cahill, it is said, was sentenced to five and a Cahill, it is said, was sentenced to five and a half years in State prison in 1888 on his plen of guilty of burglary, and in 1889 was sentenced to six months in the penitentiary on his piece of guilty of petit larceny. Cahill, who was present, declared that Gov. Hill had partoned him when in State prison. It was held that only the conviction of a felony could be considered such a crime as would render the fireman's appointment void, and it was a matter of doubt if the Governor's pardon did not render the conviction null. It was decided to postpone the consideration of the case. tion of the case.

RACING TO SAVE HER CHARTER. The Little Steamship Bertle Hurrying to Balti-

The little British steamship Bertie sailed from this port before dawn yesterday on a race against time for Baltimore. She was chartered before she arrived here from Hamburg to carry a cargo of 80,000 bushels of grain from Baltimore to Cork for \$8,100. Since then the freight rates have dropped. Unless the Bertie gets to Baltimore this afternoon her charterers will have the right to get another ship to take the grain at about \$1,500 less than they have promised to pay to the owners of the Bertie. The Bertie arrived here on April 30, many days overdue. Several of her bow plates have been

overdue. Several of her bow plates have been stove by contact with pack ice off the Banks, and her tail shaft was cracked. She was unable to get a dry dock in which to make repairs, and three days ago her skipper decided to make an effort to put the Bertie in ship shape in Erie Basin.

Water ballast was let into her after compartments and she was sunk by the stern until her broken plates were raised above the surface of the basin. Machinists atted new plates in her bow. Then she was sunk by the head, her stern was raised far out of the water, and a new inil shaft was put in. She also got two new life boats in place of those that were washed overboard in a gale on her voyage from Hamburg. It is likely that she will be just able to save her charter, provided she has good weather down to Cape Charles and up the Chesapeake.

TO ENTERTAIN SOUTH AMERICANS. Mayor Strong Invites Merchants to Confer with Him About the Arrangements.

Mayor Strong issued invitations yesterday to nany prominent citizens, requesting them to meet with him in the Governors' Room at the City Hall next Wednesday at noon to arrange for the reception of the Central and South American merchants who will visit this city on June ican merchants who will visit this city on June 8 with a view to extending the trade relations between their countries and the United States. The Board of Trade and Transportation and other commercial organizations which are interested in the matter have arranged an itinerary for the five days stay of the visitors in the city, which includes a trip about the harbor, visits to the various exchanges, and to many manufactories, journeys to Brooklyn and Jersey City, and other entertainment, including a dinner at the Waldorf.

Wager of a Boy Divine Realer.

PADUCAH, Ky., May 12 .- A lad named Charles Brown, who lives at Marion, Ky., is exciting the people here with alleged divine healWHEN JUDGE SLOVER DECIDES.

The Federation of Musicians or the League Musicians Will Claim an Advantage. The National League of Musicians and the American Federation of Musicians have a complicated row on their hands which has made a Kansas City Judge, to whom one of the many ends of the quarrel was referred about a week ago, wish he had never seen a musician. The subject kept a large crowd of the members of the Manhattan Musical Union busy all day yesterday at their headquarters, 61 East Fourth street. The occasion which brought them there was the arrival of delegates from a convention of the

occasion which brought them there was the arrival of delegates from a convention of the American Federation of Musicians, which was held in Kansas City, Mo.

It appears that there were two conventions of musicians in Kansas City then. The first, which was scheduled to begin on May 4, was that of the National League of Musicians. The second, which was to begin on May 6, was that of the American Federation of Musicians. The League has a membership of about 4,500, of whom about 2,300 belong to the Mutual Musical Protective Union of this city, of which Alexander Bremer is President. Bremer is also President of the League. The American Federation of Musicians claims a membership of 7,500, its local body is the Manhattan Musical Union, through whose rivalry with the M. M. P. U. the national body which is affiliated with the American Federation of Labor was organized.

The M. M. P. U. says that it expelled the Manhattans and that the Manhattans are shoomakers, tailors, bricklayers, and people of other trades who play the fiddle occasionally, while the M. M. P. U. people are artists who don't need to have anything to do with trades unions. The Manhattans say they left the M. M. P. U. in disguest because they didn't like the way it was run, and that they can fiddle better than the M. M. P. U. people. They also say that they are trades unionists and are not ashamed of it. The Federation alleged that it controlled or ought to control the membership of the League and the League insisted that the Federation expelled the League insisted that the Federation expelled the League insisted that the Federation expelled the League.

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made up of its members. Then the League expelled the Federation and the Federation expelled the League.

In this mood the delegates went to the respective conventions. Both were held in the same building. When the League convention began the Federationists came and tried to storm the doors. The League sent for the police and the Federationists got from Judge Slover of Kansas City a temporary injunction restraining the League from closing the doors against the Federationists. When the Federationists got in President Bremer refused to conduct the meeting and walked out, followed by half of the League. The Federationists held their convention and elected officers.

Now Judge Slover is supposed to be trying to find out-whether the League is made up of the Federation or the Federation of the League, and which is the dominant body. The dominant one, when Judge Slover makes up his mind, will claim the control of the property of the League and of a fund of about \$5,000 or so.

This was the substance of the report made to the Manhattan Musical Union by its delegates yesterday. The members, after hearing the report, agreed that the Federation had won a moral victory. None of them could say in what way. News of Judge Slover's decision is expected ally. It had not arrived last night.

CITY'S RESERVOIRS UNGUARDED. A Large Part of the Water Supply Unpatrolle for Many Hours Each Day.

The attention of the city authorities has been called to the fact that the reservoirs in Central Park, which hold the greater part of the city's water supply, are practically unguarded at times. There are two of these reservoirs in the Park, and two-thirds of all the water that is used is stored in them awaiting distribution. The reservoirs cover many acres. The embank-ments are considerably higher than the level of the Park, but their sloping sides make them easy of access at almost any point. Along the tops there is an iron fence, and this affords the only protection to the water supply.

It has been generally supposed that the reservoirs, being in Central Park, were under the jurisdiction of the Park police, so far as police protection is concerned, but that assertion made yesterday was denied by an official of the Park

Department.

"The reservoirs," said this official, "are under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Department of Public Works. While they are located in the Park, they are not under the special protection of the Park police, although, of course, farry of the Park publishers was a crime being farry of the Park publishers was a crime being tection of the Park police, although, of collese, if any of the Park policemen saw a crime being committed on the reservation he would take means to stop it just as any citizen would. So far as I know, the Department of Public Works has never asked the Park Department for police protection for the reservoirs, and I do not think that a request has ever been made of the municipal police cither. I suppose that If a request was made of cither department it would be promptly are ated in so important a matter. chang Yuen Hoon is second only to Li Hung
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Chang in rank and official power. He is Secretary of the Interior and Treasurer of the Empire
and is the head of a powerful and influential
family. Like Li, he is a progressive, and has
absorbed many Western ideas. He has been
Minister Plenipotentiary at Washington.

TWO FIREMEN BOUNCED.

Cigarette Smoking the Cause of One's Dismissal

—An Ex-Convict a Fireman.

The Fire Commissioners at their meeting yesterday dismissed Fireman Joseph H. O'Connor
of Engine 4 for absence without leave. When a
month ago charges were made against him of
absenting himself without leave he made the
excuse that the excessive use of cigarettes
caused him at times a total loss of memory, and

City Magistrates, is looking for the right sort of he forgot to go to the engine house. On his CURSED THE "SHOOT THE CHUTES."

at each reservoir would be enough, and they could be easily spared from either the park or the numerical police, or the Public Works Department could supply its own watchmen and have police powers conferred on them.

\*\*GURSED THE \*\* SHOOT THE CHUTES.\*\*

Paul Boyton Regs to Be Protected from a Disappointed Widow.

Mrs. James Spence, a widow, whose home is on Ocean Parkway, Coney Island, went to Capt. Paul Boyton at his water chutes yesterday afternoon, and asked him to hire her daughter Edith as ticket seller with his show. Miss Spence sold tickets for Boyton last summer, Capt. Boyton said he had hired all the people he needed for said he had hired all the people he needed for said he had hired all the people he needed for said he had hired all the people he needed for said he had hired all the people he needed for said he had hired all the summer, and that he could the early part of the summer, and that he could not employ Miss Spence until later in the seanot employ Miss spence and prayed that son, if at all,

Mrs. Spence fell on her knees and prayed that Hoyon might be cursed, and that the curse should extend to his chutes and all the people that patronized them. Capt. Boyton appealed to the police to protect him from Mrs. Spence, saythat he feared she would try to kill him.

" A POLICEMAN'S LOT IS NOT," &C. Winter Clothes All Summer.

The Long Island City policemen are sweltering in their winter uniforms, and it seems they will continue to swelter and to say unkind things about the Board of Aldermen for some time to come. The policemen buy their own uniforms, with the exception of the buttons, which are supplied by the city and are fashioned by a particular mondi. Acting Captain Darcy recently ordered the requisite number of buttons to be placed upon the summer uniforms of the policemen, but the Board of Aldermen refused to appropriate the money to pay for the buttons.

VAN COTT TO TAKE HOLD MAY 22. Postmaster Dayton Will Give Place to His Suc-

cessor on That Date. "I am very glad that the Senate has confirmed Mr. Van Cott," said Postmaster Dayton yester-day. "I wrote to him asking if he could not take charge here on Saturday, and he has just sent me word that he cannot do so. He will, eent me word that he cannot do so. He will, however, assume charge on May 22. He is not a new man to the place, and I do not believe his coming will result in any great changes. Matters here are in good shape, and Mr. Van Cott is well acquainted with the personnel of the various departments.

"I am glad that I am soon to get back to my law business, my only regret being that I shall be separated by my retirement from many persons in the Post Office employ whom I have learned to appreciate highly."

Mr. Van Cott Confirmed. Washington, D. C., May 12.—The Senate has confirmed the nomination of Cornelius Van Cott to be Postmaster at New York.

Adolphe Corbett Sues Fanny Rice.

Adolphe Corbett, playwright, through his counsel, James Foster Milliken, has brought suit in the United States Circuit Court against Fanny Rice-Purdy, the actress; George W. Pur-Fanny Rice-Purdy, the actress; George W. Purdy, her husband and manager; Rudolph Aronson, manager of the Bijou Theatre, and Henry B, and Leander S. Sire, owners of the theatre, for alleged infringement of the copyright of a comedy in four acts, entitled "Oreo at the French Ball." The piece, it is alleged, is being produced at the Bijou under the title of "At the French Ball." Judge Lacombe late yesterday afternoon granted an order, returnable tomorrow, requiring the defendants to show cause why they should not be enjoined from producing the play pending the result of the suit.

Discharged Cashler Girl Wants \$50,000 Dam-

CHICAGO, May 12 .- Mary J. Spates has filed a suit in the Circuit Court for \$50,000 damages against William S. Eden and the Great Northern Hotel Company. Until recently Miss Spates was cashier at the hotel. She was discharged and accused of the embersioneent of \$100, but Justice White dismissed the case.

MRS. MUGFORD IS A LADY.

AS SUCH, SHE SAYS, SHE COULD NOT CLEAN FLOORS. the Could, However, Mutilate Carpets, Put Property of Her Stepdaughter - Another

Chapter of the Mugford's Marital Wood Mrs. Mamie H. Mugford was convicted in the County Court, in Brooklyn, yesterday of malicious mischief, in cutting up carpets, putting grease upon handsome chairs, and scratching furniture, the property of Mrs. Fanny J. Hovey, the daughter of Henry L. Mugford by his first

The Mugfords have aired their troubles in the various courts for a year. Mr. Mugford is a retired grocer, 65 years old. He is slim, with a pinched face, and wears a white goatee. Mrs. Mugford appears to be about 50 years old, wears glasses, and was dressed yesterday in black silk. The Mugfords were married on Nov. 13, 1895, and the following month they separated. They lived at 875 Putnam avenue, When Mrs. Mugford ascertained that her hus-

band was not wealthy she began a suit for separation, which she afterward abandoned in order to institute a suit for the annulment of the marriage on account of the age of her husband. This suit is still pending. Mrs. Mugford continued to live in the Putnam avenue house, but on April 8, 1896, was dispossessed by her stepdaughter, Mrs. Hovey. Mrs. Hovey then aused her arrest for mutilating the furniture. Mrs. Hovey testified yesterday that her stepmother cut the parlor carpets, spilled ink on the floor, sprinkled acid on the furniture and bedding, and poured ashes on everything she had not mutilated. Carpets, parlor chairs, and other furniture were in the County Court yesterday as whibits

exhibits.
Josephine Kottman, who on former occasions had testified in Mrs. Mugford's behalf, yesterday said that Mrs. Mugford sent her out to purchase carbolic acid, which was sprinkled on the

chase carbolic acid, which was sprinkled on the furniture.

"What did Mrs. Mugford say !" asked Assistant District Attorney Ward.

"She said, "responded the witness, "that if she couldn't get any good out of the furniture and fittings no one clse would."

Mrs. Mugford was all smiles when she took the witness stand. She denied being vicious, and said her husband used to bring men to the house who misbehaved themselves. She also denied destroying the furniture.

"Why did you smile as your husband left the stand!" asked Mr. Ward.

"I didn't know that I smiled, "said Mrs. Mugford," I might have had pleasant thoughts."

"Do you have pleasant thoughts when you see your husband!"

"Not always," she replied.

"Did you have bisses to Mr. Mugford of Mrs.

your husband?"
"Not always," she replied.
"Did you throw kisses to Mr. Mugford or Mrs.
Hovey when they were removing the furniture
from the house!"
"I'm not so liberal with my kisses." Mrs. Mug-In not so therai with my kisses." Mrs. Mug-ford replied, and then she giggled.

"Have you any love for Mr. Mugford now!"

Mrs. Mugford hid her face behind her fan, and when pressed for an answer replied:

"I don't care to answer; that's my own heart's Just before leaving the stand Mrs. Mugford

said:
"I'm a lady—that's why I did not clean up the floors." Assistant District Attorney Ward, in sum-Assistant District Attorney Ward, in sum-ning up for the prosecution, said:
"There are a great many ladies in the land. I admire the American lady who can get down on her knees and clean the floor. I admire the lady who earns her own living. There are also ladies who have no character, and who are vicious. I thank God that some ladies can work. But Mrs. Musford is a lady, but can't do a little hard work like cleaning the floors."
The invr was out an hour, and then rendered a The jury was out an hour, and then rendered a ventict of guilty. Mrs. Mugford will be sentenced on Friday.

BEWARE OF JERSEY CITY COPS. Don't Say "Aber Nit" or You Will Be Clubbed and Hauled to the Lockup.

Policemen George Van Vechten and Nicholas Walsh of Jersey City were sent out in citizens attire on the afternoon of Sunday, Feb. 21, to look for crap players. In First, near Brunswick, Van Vechten, who was about fifteen feet ahead of Walsh, thought he heard some one say: "Here comes two dead fly cops." He turned, and, seeing Joseph Norman, a slim built, onearmed man at a stoop with two companions, asked: "Do you think we're dead fly cops! Norman replied that what he said was "aber nit" to one of his companions. The policeman punched Norman in the jaw and knocked him down. Then he clubbed him and finally placed him under arrest. Bosso Bruno, an old man clubbed him, Michael Conti, Bruno's nephew. went to his uncle's aid and struck one of the policemen. He said afterward that he did not know at the time that they were policemen.
Norman and Bruno, covered with blood were
locked up. Yesterday these two and Conti were
tried in the General Sessions Court for assault
and battery on Van Vechten. Lawyer Allan L.
McDermott defended them.
"Why did you arrest Norman I" he asked Van
Vechten. Vechten.

ONLY \$50 FOR RAWHIDING A MAN. Mrs. Rerenice King, Who Horsewhipped William J. Hintr. Gets Off with a Pine.

Mrs. Berenice King of 163 West Twenty-first street was fined \$50 by Justice McMahon in Part III., General Sessions, yesterday for horsewhitening William J. Blair, who lived at the same boarding house with her. Mrs. King came into the court room with her husband, Henry C. King, who is also under indictment, being charged with holding Mr. Blair while his wife whilped him. She was pale and evidently ner-vous. Visions of a dungeon loomed up before her. Mr. King fumbled with a fat roll of bills which he took from his trousers pocket as soon as he got into the court room. Mr. Blair sat and smiled.

When Justice McMahon, heeding the recommendation for mercy made by the jury Mrs. King only \$50, her husband heaved Mrs. King only \$50, her husband heaved a sigh of relief and deposited the money on the Clerk's desk. The defendant, her pailor and nervousness gone, thanked the Judge, shook hands with her counsed and everybedy else within reach, and started for the door. As she passed Mr. Blair she stopped short, saluted him in military fashion, and with a deliant glance at him swept out of the room. Mr. Blair did not seem pleased. Mr. King was released on his own recognizance. The indictment was not dismissed, but it is unlikely that he will be tried.

GOT RID OF \$600. A Philadelphian's Heart bufowed by a Girl Who Said She Loved Him.

Cornelius Monohan of 265 North Ninth street, Philadelphia, went to Coney Island yesterday morning, and in the course of the day met a man who offered to show him the sights. Monohan took him as a guide, and by him was introduced to Sadie Osborne of 46 West Twenty-ninth street and Nellie Daley of 143 West Twenty-third street. Monohan took the party to the West End Casino and bought champagne for

them.

After several bottles had been emptied the women began to hug Monohan. He enjoyed their demonstrations of affection until he found that his watch was gone. He called two policemen and the whole party went to the station house. The women told where the watch was and the police got it.

Monohan was about to make a charge of larceny against the women when the Daly girl, who is it wars aid, began to give and to tell him, that

ceny against the women when the Daly girl, who is 19 years old, began to ery and to tell him that she loved him. Then he didn't want to make a complaint against her. Nevertheless, the whole party was locked up, Monohan being held as a witness. He said he had \$700 when he reached the island. He had only \$100 when he was searched at the station.

BROOKLYN ELECTRIC FOUNTAIN. It is to He Pinced on the Park Pinza and Will Cost \$24,500. Park Commissioner Dettmer of Brooklyn has

awarded the contract for the construction of the electric fountain in the Prospect Park plaza, in front of the Soldiers and Sailors' Memorial Arch, to the Wilson & Baillie Manufacturing Company. The cost is \$24,500. The fountain was designed by F. W. Darlington of Philadelphia. It will be 370 feet in circumference, and the contract calls for the throwing of 100,000 gallons of water an hour. The power is to be furnished free of cost to the city by the trolley railroad companies. Kennedy

12 CORTLANDT ST. Russet Bicycle Shoes, \$1.98 pair. Russet Walking Shoes, \$1.98 pair. Patent Leathers (Imported stock), \$8.97. Fr. neh Calf (Hand Sewed), \$4.98.

\$3.00 Russet Shoes at \$1.98. Odd lots from first-class manufacturers. We saved \$1.00 a pair in the buying—se may

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LEONA FIRE VICTIMS BURIED. Mallory Line Defrays the Cost-It Allows Witnesses to Get Away.

The bodies of the Leons fire victims, with the exception of that of Alfred Lang, which was claimed by his brother Carl on Tuesday night, were buried yesterday from the Morgue, where they had been since Monday. The expenses of the funeral were borne by the steamship company. The bodies were interred in Mount Olivet Cemetery.

There is likely to be some trouble between Coroner Hoeber and Mr. Mallory owing to the latter's allowing the surviving passengers to go to their various destinations. Coroner Hoeber ssued subposnas on Tuesday for two of the steer age passengers, J. F. Samuelson and S. Schultut, to appear before him yesterday.

When Coroner Hoeber reached his office yesterday morning his clerk informed him that none of the passengers could be found. Coroner Hoeber immediately sent a policeman to the steamship line office to make an investigation. The latter returned with the information that Samuelson left in the morning on the steamship Lampassa for Galveston, and that Schultkut had left the day previous for parts unknown. The Coroner immediately became highly indigmant. "I will have an explanation of this," he said, and issued at once a subpens for Mr. Mallory to appear before him this morning and explain matters. Later in the day he received a letter from the steamship people setting forth that they could not detain the passengers without authority from him, and not having received this they supposed he had finished his investigation. The Coroner replied that the line's permitting witnesses to go away would be brought up at the inquest. When Coroner Hoeber reached his office yes up at the inquest.

25 TRUCK LOADS OF RECORDS Interesting Old Documents Removed from the

During the recent visit to the Custom House of Secretary of the Treasury Gage, Collector Kilbreth and Auditor Knapp called his attention to the immense accumulation of records stored upon an upper floor of the building, and the question of applying to Congress for permission to destroy them or having a special building constructed to hold them was discussed. As there appears to be no immediate likelihood of Congress taking action in the matter. Auditor Knapp has made temporary arrangement for the disposition of a vast quantity of the records. There were removed yesterday to the annex of the Barge Office twenty-five truck loads of the records dating back of 1880.

The removal aroused a good deal of interest in the Custom House, as many of the records are of historical value and some of the more important of them were picked out and retained in the Auditor's department. Among them were original entries made by John Jacob Aster for furs at the time when he was building up the business which laid the foundation for the Astor fortunes; by Moses Grinnell, Preserved Fish, and other famous merchants of the old days. cussed. As there appears to be no immediate

MARINE INTELLIGENCE

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Bark Oak Bank, Scobey, Honolulu.
Bark Linda Park, Skinner, Rio Grande de Sul.
Bark Herbert Flack, Blanchard, Pernambuco.
[For later arrivals see First Page.]

Ss Veendam, from New York, at Rotterdam. SAILED PROM FOREIGN PORTS. 5s Werkendam, from Rotterdam for New York.

OUTGOING STEAMSHIPE

SAILED FROM DOMESTIC PORTS. Ss El Rio, from New Orleans for New York. Es Louisiana, from New Orleans for New York.

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Allegheny, Ringston. 10 00 A M
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Fontabele, Barbados. 10 00 A M
Roman Prince, Rio. 11 00 A M
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EI Sud, New Orleans.

INCOMING STEAMSHIPS. May 11 Due Friday, May 14. Due Saturday, May 15. Paris. Leon City Due Sunday, May 16. La Champagne Due Monday, May 17.

Dus Tuesday, May 18.

POSTAL TELEGRAPH CUT.

ITS BOSTON WIRES REPEATEDLY DISABLED.

The Cutting Was Bone by a Thief Merely for the Sake of What He Got from a Junk Bealer for the 14,800 Feet of Wire He Stole - Caught by a "Trouble Hunter." George Abbott, 45 years old, address refused, was charged in Centre Street Court yesterday with having made seven cuts in the live telegraph wires of the Postal Telegraph Cable Company, stealing 14,800 feet of the wire, and in

each case badly disabling the telegraph company

in sending messages over one of its most im

portant lines, that running into Boston. William Harrison, who is employed by the Postal as a "trouble hunter," was the complainant against Abbott. He told Magistrate Kudlich that on April 23, at 12 o'clock noon. some one cut the New York and Glenville wire of the company on Bailey avenue, between Kingsbridge and Morningside Park. The thief took 2,600 feet of wire. His description, as given by a park policeman who saw him at work and thought he was a lineman employed by the Postal, tallied exactly with Abbott's.

At intervals of three to five days similar thefts occurred. The wires were always cub about the noon hour. The New York and Glenville wire was cut on Central avenue between the city limits and Woodlawn Cemetery and 1,000 feet of wire appropriated; the cable line was cut between Bronxville and East Chester and 1,200 feet of wire taken; the cable was cut twice between Pelham Park and Pelhamville with an aggregate loss of 5,000 feet of wire; the cable

aggregate loss of 5,000 feet of wire; the cable was again cut between New Rochelle and Polham Manor and 2,500 feet of wire taken.

On Monday at noon, while Harrison was testing the wires in Larchmont Wood, he found that there was "no battery." Realizing the wire had been cut, he ran toward New Rochelle and soon saw that the new wire used to repair the last cut had been removed. Harrison hired a wagon and was driven to the railrond station at New Rochelle, where he found Abbott on the platform with the stolen wire and a pair of spurs used in climbing poles. Harrison handeuffed Abbott and brought him to this city. Policeman Tate of the Church street station arrested Abbott.

bott.

Lawyer E. G. Jones, in the legal department of the Postal Company, wished to prefer the dual charge of grand larceny and malicious mischief against Abbott.

"The loss of the wire at 12½ cents a pound," he said, "is but small compared to the loss we suffered by having our Boston wire disabled so often."

Abbott confessed his guilt in the last cut, but dealed any knowledge of the others. As the

Abbott confessed his guilt in the last cut, but denied any knowledge of the others. As the alleged offence was committed in Westchester county, Magistrate Kudlich decided that he had no jurisdiction over the complaint, and remanded Abbott as a suspicious person for two days to allow Lawyer Jones to make his complaint in Westchester county. Abbott will then be taken there for trial. Abbott said he stole the wire to sell it to junk dealers.

F. D. MORGAN IN LIQUIDATION. He Did a Discretionary Syndicate Business at 64 Wall Street.

F. D. Morgan of 64 Wall street, whose office door has borne the sign "banker and broker, options on gold and silver a specialty," has gone into liquidation. He has sent out a circular to his customers, asking for time and requesting them to sign an agreement to accept payment of the amounts due them in monthly installments of 10 per cent. He states that he has sold the "Stock Market Information Bureau," which he has been conducting, and that from the royalties which he expects to ac crue the creditors will be paid. A. L. Parker, who stated that he had been Mr.

"The amount due to Mr. Morgan's creditors is inside of \$20,000, Mr. Morgan has not left town, and he is trying to raise money to pay the and he is trying to raise money to pay the claims against him. The letters to the customers were only sent out on Monday, and probably one-third of the creditors have returned the agreements signed. Mr. Morgan's customers were not hayseeds like the customers of those other concerns that failed lately.

"He did some discretionary syndicate business in addition to a regular commission business and dealing in options on gold and silver during the election excitement last fall. The liquidation of Mr. Morgan is not because of any trouble with the Post Office authorities, for he has had none except last fall when he was dealing in eptions on gold and silver."

Morgan's confidential clerk, said yesterday:

WEST ASHORE IN THE FOG. Coal-Laden Schooner Winnie Lawry on the

GREENPORT, L. I., May 12,-The two-masted schooner Winnie Lawry of Boston, Capt, Joseph Smith, lies in a dangerous position on the rocks on the southwestern end of Plum Island. The schooner left New York yesterday afternoon with a cargo of 325 tons of coal, bound for Portsmouth, N. H. In the fog early this morning Capt. Smith lost his bearings and went on the

The mackerel smack Annie Greenlaw, Capt. Greenlaw, went to the assistance of the stranded schooner and brought Capt. Smith to Greenport. He telephoned to the Scott Wrecking Company at New London for a tug, and then returned to the schooner. The Captain and his crew of six men are still on board. Thus far no damage has been done to the stranded schooner. There is no insurance on vessel or cargo. The Lawry was built twenty-there years are and to Lawry was built twenty-three years ago and is owned by David W. Simpson of Boston.

The Commissioners Becide How to Spend the Special Fund of \$1,500,00

At a special meeting of the Board of Education yesterday afternoon plans were adopted for spending the whole of the \$1,500,000 special fund authorized by the last Legislature for the improvement of the public schools of this city. improvement of the public schools of this city.
It was decided to acquire twelve sites for new schools. It was also agreed that the Committee on Sites should purchase inneteen sites for the improvement of as many old schools.

John T. Ruchanan of Kansas City was appointed principal of the Boys' High School, and John G. Wight of Philadelphia of the Girls' High School. Evander Childs, who had been proposed as principal of the Mixed High School, withdrew his name.

BALBWIN.-C. C. Baldwin, at his residence, New-port, R. L., on Wednesday, the 12th inst., at B Notice of funeral hereafter.

BARNEY .- At New Haven on Tuesday, May 11, Danford Sturgts Barney, son of Newcomb C. and Elizabeth Sturgis Barney, in the 22d year of his

Friends are invited to attend the funeral services Interment at convenience of family. BAVLIS. - At Engadiner Kulm, St. Moritz, Switzer-

land, July 23, 1806, of diphtheria, Julia Ludiow, wife of Charles S. Baylis of Brooklyn, N. Y. Private burial in Greenwood May 8, 1897. GAUFFREAU .- On May 11, suddenly, at her resi-

dence, 20 West 12th st., Louisa Gauffreau, in the 85th year of her age. Relatives and friends and those of her niece, Louiss Raburg, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from St. Vincent de Paul's Church, 23d st.,

etween 6th and 7th ave., on Friday, May 14, at 10 o'clock. LAWRENCE. -On Wednesday, May 12, 1897, at the Windsor Hotel, New York city, Charles P. Law-

Funeral services at the Church of the Heavenly Rest, 5th av . above 45th st., New York, on Friday, May 14, at 4 P. M. Interment at Pepperell, Mass. McCHEA. -On Tuesday, May 11, Robert Glenn, son of the late Robert Gienn and Mary Jane McCrea,

in the 22d year of his age. Funeral services will be held at his late residence. 533 Franklin av., Brooklyn, on Thursday, May 18, at 5:30 in the afternoon. Interment private. SMITH. -At Hampton, Va., May 12, 1897, Major

Knight Smith, M. D., of Perth Amboy, N. J., aged

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